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## GENERAL CHARLES F. "CHUCK" WALD, DEPUTY COMMANDER OF U.S. EUROPEAN COMMAND, TO VISIT AZERBAIJAN

General Charles F. "Chuck" Wald, the Deputy Commander of the Headquarters of the U.S. European Command in Stuttgart, Germany, will visit Azerbaijan from January 18 to 19 for meetings and discussions at the Ministry of Defense. General Wald (biography attached) is responsible for all U.S. forces across 91 countries in Europe, Africa, Russia, and parts of Asia and the Middle East; he has been in his current position since December 2002. In addition to discussing our military-to-military relations and security interests in the region, General Wald will also visit the headquarters of the Azerbaijan National Agency for Mine Action (ANAMA) and meet ANAMA Director Nazim Ismaylov to discuss ongoing U.S. support for ANAMA and humanitarian demining projects in Azerbaijan (information sheet attached).